

RESOLUTIONS

OF THE

STATE OF ALABAMA,

IN RELATION TO THE

System for the disposal of the Public Lands.

FEBRUARY 12, 1827.

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REPORT AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

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REPORT AND RESOLUTIONS

In relation to the System for the Disposal of the Public Lands, and to the Unsettled Land Claims in this State.

The special committee, to whom was referred so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the system for the disposal of the public lands, have had that subject under their consideration, and have instructed me to report the following joint resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That this General Assembly do highly approve of the plan proposed by the Hon. Mr. Benton, of Missouri, for the future disposal of the public domain, as contained in a bill introduced and advocated by him, in the Senate of the United States, during the last session of Congress, providing for the future sale of the public lands, *by entry*, at certain fixed and graduated prices, in exclusion of the present mode *by auction*, and for the ultimate disposal of such as may remain unsold for a certain period, by donations to actual settlers, reserving to the actual settler or occupant, in all cases, the right of pre-emption for a limited time, of a quantity not exceeding one entire section.

2d. *Resolved*, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives requested, to use their utmost endeavors to procure the passage of a law containing the foregoing or similar provisions ; and, also, of a law providing for the final adjustment, upon equitable principles, of the unsettled land claims in this State.

3d. *Resolved*, That a copy of the foregoing resolutions be transmitted by the Governor to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

SAMUEL W. OLIVER,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

NICHOLAS DAVIS,

President of the Senate.

Approved : January 12th, 1827.

JOHN MURPHY.

SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE,

Tuskaloosa, Jan. 16th, 1827.

I do certify the foregoing report and resolutions to be a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

JAMES I. THORNTON.

REPORT AND EXPLANATION

OF THE

COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAND OFFICE
IN RESPONSE TO A RESOLUTION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
PASSED MAY 10, 1870
RELATIVE TO THE LANDS BELONGING TO THE UNITED STATES
AND THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAND OFFICE
DURING THE YEAR 1870

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